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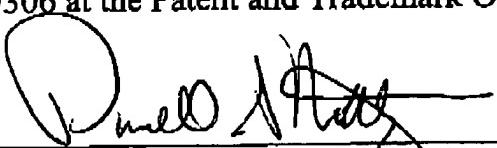
Dear Examiner McCrosky:

We are responding to the Office Communication dated May 28, 2004. Please find enclosed a signed Amendment for entry on page 8. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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PATENT**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Group Art Unit: 3736
Robert F. SAK : Examiner: David J. McCrosky
Serial No. 09/960,648 : Atty Docket No. 004122.00006
Filed: September 24, 2001 :

For: IMPROVED METHOD AND
APPARATUS FOR SAMPLING
CERVICAL TISSUE

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed October 21, 2003, please amend the instant application as follows:

- Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the **LISTING OF CLAIMS**, which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.